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U. S. Br. Mint Treasurer's Office
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Sir,

The warrants about which you have asked for information in your communication to me of the 17th Inst. are ready for your signature — The statement of silver bullion has been also prepared according to your request.

In reply to your enquiry whether you have the priviledge of referring to the weigh books of bullion for information in your business, I would observe to you that the greatest inconvenience has been occasioned by you taking the books of my office to your own office, without informing my clerks or consulting me — that you have been in the habit of locking all your doors, so that when the books were wanted to weigh deposites & for other purposes, they were not to be had, in consequence of which, I am directed by the Superintendent to say that you will be furnished always with copies of the assayer's reports to file in your office, & that whatever information you ask in writing, shall be given in writing, but that you can have no access to the weigh books of bullion in my office.

Respectfully
Edm: Forstall
Treasr Br: Mint